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SUBJ: ARREST OF TRAFFICKERS IN STOLEN SECURITIES - - BONDS
RECOVERED

REF: A. QUITO 2205; B. GUAYAQUIL 577

1. YESTERDAY PM LOCAL CRIMINAL COURT JUDGE TURNED OVER BONDS TO CUSTODY CONSUL ZETTLER. ALL BONDS LISTED REF A (INCLUDING SERIAL NO. 444116 A) ACCOUNTED FOR AND BEING HELD IN CG VAULT. TOTAL VALUE \$375,000.

2. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS NEXT STEP IN TRANSFERRING EVIDENCE TO LEGATT.

3. INTERPOL REPORT FORWARDED TO LEGATT VIA AIR POUCH JUNE 7. COPIES ALSO PROVIDED BNDD AND CUTOMS IN QUITO. CONTAINS SWORN STATEMENTS CARO AND DIAZ, IN WHICH LATTER INCRIMINATES HIMSELF ONLY IN DRUG TRAFFICKING, DENYING ANY KNOWLEDGE OF BONDS. REPORT ALSO EMPHASIZES ROLE OF RAFAEL MARQUES AS COMPANION OF FREEMAN AND PROBABLY COURIER OF CASH TO BUY DRUGS. ALSO REVEALED PRESENCE AND PARTICIPATION OF GLORIA LINARES, PRESUMED TO BE AMCIT AND TRAFFICKER WHO RETURNED TO U. S. 15 APRIL.

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4. SPECULATION REF A PARA 1 RE MARQUES NOW ACCEPTED AS CORRECT.
MEETING BETWEEN LANIADO AND NATIONAL CAR RENTAL MANAGER
ESTABLISHED WITH 100 PERCENT ASSURANCE THAT MARQUES SAME MAN WHO
TRIED SELL BILLS TO LANIADO IN FEBRUARY. LANIADO NOW RECALLS THAT
MARQUES EXHIBITED A BOND OF \$5,000 DENOMINATION IN FEBRUARY, NOT
\$15,000 AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED. INTERPOL REQUESTS THAT LEGATT
FORWARD PHOTO AND RECORD OF MARQUES IF AVAILABLE.

5. LAWYERS FOR CARO AND DIAZ REPORTEDLY TRYING TO ARRANGE
DEPORTATION TO FACE CHARGES IN U. S. RATHER THAN HERE. HOWEVER,
LOCAL AUTHORITIES STILL DETERMINED TO PROSECUTE UNDER ECUADOREAN
LAW IN ABSENCE FORMAL EXTRADITION REQUEST BY USG.
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